

# the PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

DECEMBER 9, 2013



**This is the season of giving, with the eight days of Hanukkah just ending and Christmas and Kwanzaa around the corner. Beyond the glitter and merchandising of the season, I ask you today to look into the intrinsic meaning of the holidays and ask yourself, “What am I giving of myself to improve someone’s life?”**

I don’t mean buying toys for your kids or a shiny something for the spouse or partner. I mean true giving, the non-monetary kind that is gift-wrapped only in caring.

What are you doing for others? Perhaps your department is planning its usual holiday party, where names are drawn and everyone exchanges \$10 Starbucks gift cards. That is fine, and I applaud such ways of enhancing team spirit. But if that same money were pooled and used to help a needy family wouldn’t the satisfaction be multiplied?

Likewise, could your group serve breakfast to the hungry or offer to help firm up a building in need of repair? We know from the many generous people on this campus there are numerous ways to give.

On the following page you will see pictures from several such activities. For instance, the School of Pharmacy was crawling with ghosts and ghouls on Oct. 29 as it welcomed more than 20 third- and fourth-grade students from George Washington Elementary School to its annual “Healthy Halloween” celebration, which helps raise diabetes awareness.

2013 UMB Public Servant of the Year Brenda Ali and her colleagues from the BioPark organized another “Spooktacular” haunted house and science learning program for the students from nearby James McHenry Elementary/Middle School.

More recently, UMB students, faculty, staff, and friends donated their time on Thanksgiving at the 24th annual Project Feast, serving dinner to 600 homeless and disadvantaged persons in West Baltimore. Organized by students from the School of Medicine and the University Student Government Association, Project Feast volunteers gathered at Booker T. Washington Middle School to assist in the midday meal, staff smoking cessation and legal advice tables, check blood pressures, and provide free clothing and nonperishable food items collected from all over UMB.

Project Feast was hardly the only collection drive on campus. A President’s Outreach Council school uniform drive recently collected more than 75 items for our Club UMB partner George Washington Elementary School. Cell Phones for Soldiers also was a success as was Operation Make a Veteran Smile, both headed by the UMB Office of Interprofessional Learning and Service Initiatives.

Sometimes we give by the service we provide. School of Medicine students and faculty visit Lexington Market every month to provide free eye exams through the student-run Sight Savers program. Helping someone at risk for glaucoma avoid potential blindness is an extraordinary holiday gift.

UMB volunteers also include School of Dentistry student Maryam Qayumi, who recently was honored by the governor for her community service at Chase Brexton Health Care in Columbia. The School’s dental hygiene program recently presented student Shawndra Cannon with the Patricia Stearns Award for leading a volunteer team at the Ronald McDonald House. The URecFit Intramural Sports Team, along with URecFit associate director Anna Roskowsinski and coordinator Sara Griggs, volunteered at Our Daily Bread on Saturday, Nov. 16. URecFit team members also took part in a Thanksgiving food drive and the Turkey Trot 5K and are planning for the Jingle Bell Run/Adopt a Family event this month.

UMB community members participated in the Greater Baltimore Heart and Stroke Walk, which benefited the American Heart Association. Campus Life Services had 14 participants and raised more than \$2,500. Wellness Hub coordinator Hillary Edwards was its top fundraiser, raising \$860. All told, UMB raised \$10,860 with 139 walkers.

There are so many inspiring examples of giving at UMB, too many for me to list here. Read about the ones I’ve mentioned and others in the community service section of *The Elm*.

For those who like to give by taking out their checkbook, let me leave you with two ideas. UMB again is a proud participant in the Maryland Charity Campaign (MCC), which collects funds from state employees throughout Maryland for hundreds of charitable organizations. Last year nearly 800 people at UMB contributed to MCC. No gift is too small. Even contributing \$1 per pay period by payroll deduction is appreciated.

Some of last year’s MCC participants chose UMB as their designated beneficiary, directing their funds to the University of Maryland Baltimore Foundation, Inc. (UMBF), which promotes UMB through advocacy and the enlisting of financial support,

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and manages and invests gifts and property for the University. If you want your contribution to help your University, UMBF is a wonderful option.

But do try to give in some form this holiday season. As one of my heroes, Winston Churchill, once said, "We make a living by what we get. We make a life by what we give."

So I wish you all a happy, healthy, and *giving* holiday season. Thanks for all you do.

*Jay A. Perman*

Jay A. Perman, MD  
PRESIDENT



Please enjoy this *linked* greeting.



PROJECT FEAST



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SHAWNDRRA CANNON



MARYAM QAYUMI



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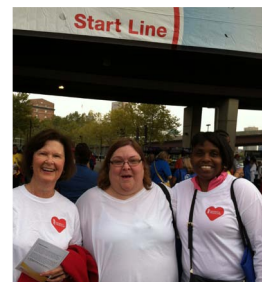
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"HEALTHY HALLOWEEN" CELEBRATION



HEART AND STROKE WALK



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UNIFORM DRIVE



"SPOOKTACULAR" HAUNTED HOUSE



TURKEY TROT 5K

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## UNIVERSITYWIDE



SARA GRIGGS

**Sara Griggs**, coordinator of sports programs at University Recreation and Fitness in the Office of Academic Affairs, hosted and led a state workshop for

collegiate recreational professionals and students at the University of Maryland, College Park in October.

“Creating Shared Campus Experiences: The Library as Culture Club,” written by **Ryan Harris**, **MLIS, AHIP**, reference services manager at the Health Sciences and Human Services Library (HS/HSL); **Alexa Mayo**, **MLIS, AHIP**, HS/HSL associate director for services; **Dale Prince**, **MLS, MA, AHIP**, executive director, National Network of Libraries of Medicine Southeastern/Atlantic Region, HS/HSL; and **M.J. Tooley**, **MLS, AHIP, FMLA**, HS/HSL executive director and associate vice president, academic affairs; was published in the *Journal of the Medical Library Association*.



RYAN HARRIS



PAULA RAIMONDO

During the annual meeting of the mid-Atlantic chapter of the Medical Library Association (MLA), held in Pittsburgh in October, **Ryan Harris**, **MLIS, AHIP**, reference services manager at the Health Sciences

and Human Services Library (HS/HSL), was voted chair-elect, and **Paula Raimondo**, **MLS, AHIP**, head of research, education, and outreach services at HS/HSL, became the chapter’s representative to the MLA nominating committee. Harris and the following HS/HSL representatives presented posters during the meeting: **Everly Brown**, **MLIS**; **Steven Douglas**, **MLS, MA, AHIP**; **Katherine Downton**, **MSLIS**; **Yunting Fu**, **MLS**; **Andrea Goldstein**, **MSLIS**; **Emilie Ludeman**, **MSLIS**; **Alexa Mayo**, **MLIS, AHIP**; **David Midyette**, **MLIS, MA, AHIP**; **María Pinkas**, **MLS**; **Sheila Snow-Croft**, **MLIS, MA**; **M.J. Tooley**, **MLS, AHIP, FMLA**; and **Andrew Youngkin**, **MLS, AHIP**.

“Probiotics: Finding the Right Regulatory Balance,” written by **Diane Hoffmann**, **JD, MS**, professor and director of the Law and Health Care Program at the Francis King Carey School of Law; **Claire Fraser**, **PhD**, professor in the Department of Medicine and director of the Institute for Genome Sciences (IGS) at the School of Medicine; **Francis Palumbo**, **PhD, JD, MS**, executive director of the School of Pharmacy Center on Drugs and Public Policy and adjunct professor at the law school; **Jacques Ravel**, **PhD**, professor in the Department of Microbiology and Immunology at the medical school and associate director of genomics at IGS; **Karen Rothenberg**, **JD, MPA**, Marjorie Cook Professor of Law; **Virginia Rowthorn**, **JD**, managing director of the Law and Health Care Program at the law school and co-director of the University’s Global Health Interprofessional Council; and **Jack Schwartz**, **JD**, law school adjunct professor; was published in the journal *Science*.



BARBARA KLEIN

**Barbara Klein**, **MPA**, chief government and community affairs officer and associate vice president, was honored by the Maryland Dental Action Coalition

as the “founder of Maryland oral health advocacy” during the coalition’s 2013 Oral Health Summit and Oral Health Heroes Awards Ceremony, held in Clarksville, Md.



ANNA ROSKOWINSKI

**Anna Roskowsinski**, **MS**, associate director at University Recreation and Fitness in the Office of Academic Affairs, delivered

a presentation about career tracks, current topics, and challenges in collegiate recreation during the Region 1 conference of NIRSA: Leaders in Collegiate Recreation, which was held in Long Branch, N.J., in November.



JILL YESKO

*Dog Spelled Backwards — An Unholy Mystery*, the second Baltimore-based mystery written by **Jill Yesko**, **MA**, senior media relations specialist in the Office of

Communications and Public Affairs, was released in November by Baxter World Media. It is a sequel to Yesko’s *Murder in the Dog Park*.

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## SCHOOL OF DENTISTRY



ASHRAF FOUAD

**Ashraf Fouad, DDS, MS,** professor and chair of the Department of Endodontics, Prosthodontics, and Operative Dentistry, represented the endodontics

specialty on behalf of the American Association of Endodontists on panel presentations and a discussion about the myths and realities of antibiotic prophylaxis in dentistry during the American Dental Association's annual session, held in the fall in New Orleans.

Prosthodontics resident **Peterson Huang, DMD,** and student **Rob Schlauch** won first place in student table clinic competitions during the American College of Prosthodontists annual session, held in Las Vegas in October. Huang won the postgraduate competition for his presentation "The Effect of Disinfection on Various Shade Tabs" and Schlauch won the predoctoral competition for his presentation "Stability Assessment of Branemark System Implants Following the All-on-Four Treatment Concept Using Resonance Frequency Analysis."

"*Streptococcus mutans*, *Candida albicans*, and the Human Mouth: A Sticky Situation," co-written by **Mary Ann Jabra-Rizk, PhD,** associate professor in the Department of Oncology and Diagnostic Sciences, was published in the journal *PLOS Pathogens*.



LEILA LIBERMAN



SHERYL SYME

**Leila Liberman, RDH,** clinical instructor in the Department of Periodontics, and **Sheryl Syme, MS, RDH,** associate professor in the Division of Dental Hygiene and director of the Degree Completion Dental Hygiene Program, are recipients of the 2013 Kathy Lyter Community Oral Health Heroes Award from the Maryland Dental Action Coalition. The award recognizes their volunteer work with the Special Olympics' Special Smiles program, which provides dental screenings and oral health information for Special Olympics participants.



MARION MANSKI

**Marion Manski, MS, RDH,** assistant professor and director of the dental hygiene program, received the 2013 Symbol of Excellence Award from the Maryland

Dental Hygienists' Association for her leadership experience, community service, and contributions to advancing the association.

## FRANCIS KING CAREY SCHOOL OF LAW



TAUNYA LOVELL BANKS

"Still Drowning in Segregation: Limits of Law in Post-Civil Rights America," written by **Taunya Lovell Banks, JD,** Jacob A. France Professor of Equality

Jurisprudence, was accepted for publication by the University of Minnesota's *Law and Inequality: A Journal of Theory and Practice*.



JANE BARRETT

**Jane Barrett, JD,** professor and director of the Environmental Law Clinic, presented "Environmental Policy and Regulation" during the fall

lecture series at Washington College in Chestertown, Md. Barrett also participated in the panel discussion "Today's Ethics: More Complicated Than You Thought? Managing Conflicts and Virtual Reality in Today's Environmental, Energy, and Natural Resources Law Practice," during the American Bar Association Section of Environment, Energy, and Resources fall conference. She also presented "The Good, the Bad and the Dirty: Trends in Environmental Crimes Cases" during the National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers' Ninth Annual Defending the White Collar Case Seminar.

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“Tax in the Cathedral: Property Rules, Liability Rules, and Tax,” by **Andrew Blair-Stanek, JD**, assistant professor, was published in the *Virginia Law Review*.



PATRICIA CAMPBELL

**Patricia Campbell, JD, LLM, MA**, associate professor and director of the Maryland Intellectual Property Legal Resource Center, was appointed to the editorial board of the *American Intellectual Property Law Association Quarterly Journal*.



DANIELLE CITRON

**Danielle Citron, JD**, Lois K. Macht Research Professor of Law, advised alumnus Jon Cardin, JD '01, member of the Maryland House of Delegates, on new legislation

to protect cyber civil rights. The bill, focusing on “revenge porn,” was presented to the public during a news conference at the law school in October.



LARRY GIBSON

**Larry Gibson, LLB**, professor and author, was profiled in the *Howard Magazine* article “New Book Sets the Record Straight on Thurgood Marshall’s Early Years.” The

magazine is a publication of Howard University in Washington, D.C.

“Apportioning Liability in Maryland Tort Cases: Time to End Contributory Negligence and Joint and Several Liability,” co-written by **Donald Gifford, JD**, Edward M. Robertson Research Professor of Law, was accepted for publication by the *Maryland Law Review*, a publication of the Carey School of Law.



MARK GRABER

“The Declaration of Independence as Canon Fodder,” written by **Mark Graber, JD, PhD, MA**, professor, was accepted for publication by the *Tulsa Law Review*, a publication of

the University of Tulsa.



MICHAEL GREENBERGER

**Michael Greenberger, JD**, professor and director of the Center for Health and Homeland Security, participated in November in Marist College’s

Autumn Lecture Series as a speaker on “The Financial Crisis, Dodd-Frank, and the Future of Financial Regulation.”

“Three Theories of Copyright in Ratings,” written by professor **James Grimmelmann, JD**, and published in the *Vanderbilt Journal of Entertainment and Technology Law*, was cited in an opinion from the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York in the case *BanxCorp v. Costco Wholesale Corp.*

**Barbara Grochal, MAT, MBA**, director of conflict-resolution education at the Center for Dispute Resolution (C-DRUM),

and **Stacy Smith**, director of special projects at C-DRUM, were featured as presenters during the Internet seminar *Mediation in Schools: Listening, Resolving, Empowering*, presented by the Werner Institute.

“Has the Roberts Court Plurality’s Colorblind Rhetoric Finally Broken Brown’s Promise?” written by **Phoebe Haddon, JD, LLM**, dean and professor, was published in the *Denver University Law Review*.

**Michelle Harner, JD**, professor and director of the Business Law Program, and fellow **Jennifer Ivey-Crickenberger** are among the writers of “Activist Investors, Distressed Companies, and Value Uncertainty,” which was accepted for publication by the *American Bankruptcy Institute Law Review*, a publication of St. John’s University in New York City. Harner also presented the work during the St. John’s University School of Law symposium *Hedge Funds in Bankruptcy*, held in October. Harner presented her research “Creditors’ Rights Against Unincorporated Entities” during the American Bar Association’s annual Business Law Institute, held in Arlington, Va.



PETER HOLLAND

In the fall, **Peter Holland, JD, MA**, clinical instructor and director of the Consumer Protection Clinic, conducted a training session at the Western New York Law Center

in Buffalo on how to defend debt-buyer lawsuits. Holland also presented the lecture “The Myth of the Adversary System” at the State University of New York Buffalo Law School.

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LEIGH MADDOX

Professor **Leigh Maddox, JD**, presented “Departing From the Criminal Paradigm: Is It Possible?” as a panelist during the International Drug Policy

Reform Conference, held in Denver in October. Maddox also presented “Pending Maryland Drug Policy Reforms: Engaging on All Levels” to the Maryland Office of the Public Defender.



AMY MAJOR

**Amy Major, JD**, associate director at the Center for Health and Homeland Security, presented an Internet seminar on crisis management for the health

care community as part of the Legal Scholars Seminar Series, held in November at the Beazley Institute for Health Law and Policy at the Loyola University Chicago School of Law.



MICHAEL PAPPAS

“Escaping the Sporhase Maze: Protecting State Waters Within the Commerce Clause,” co-written by **Michael Pappas, JD, MA**, professor, and published in the

*Louisiana Law Review*, was chosen for the Professional Scholarship Award by the American Agricultural Law Association’s awards committee.



ROBERT RHEE

“The Terrorism Risk Insurance Act: Time to End the Corporate Welfare,” written by **Robert Rhee, JD, MBA**, the Marbury Research Professor of Law, was published

in the Cato Institute’s *Policy Analysis Series*. “Tackling ‘Arithmophobia’: Teaching How to Read, Understand, and Analyze Financial Statements,” co-written by Rhee, was published in *The Tennessee Journal of Business Law*. And “Specialization in Law and Business: a Proposal for a J.D./‘MBL’ Curriculum,” written by Rhee, and the presentation “Transcription of 2013 *Chapman Law Review* Symposium: ‘The Future of Law, Business, and Legal Education: How to Prepare Students to Meet Corporate Needs,’” co-written by Rhee, were published in the *Chapman Law Review*, a publication of the Chapman University Fowler School of Law.

“Reflections on the Cost of ‘Low-Cost’ Whole Genome Sequencing: Framing the Health Policy Debate,” co-written by **Karen Rothenberg, JD, MPA**, Marjorie Cook Professor of Law, was published in the journal *PLOS Biology*. The interactive play *The Drama of DNA: Anticipating the Future With WGS (Whole Genome Sequencing)*, co-written by Rothenberg, was performed during the annual meeting of the American Society of Human Genetics, held in October in Boston.

## SCHOOL OF MEDICINE



CARISSA BAKER-SMITH

**Carissa Baker-Smith, MD, MS, MPH**, assistant professor in the Department of Pediatrics, was presented the Torchbearer Award by the National Coalition

of 100 Black Women during an awards breakfast at Morgan State University in the fall. The honor recognizes accomplishments in health, education, economic development, cultural arts, or social and political action. Baker-Smith won the award for her work in pediatric cardiology.



P. LEON BROWN

Student **P. Leon Brown** was chosen to attend the National Institutes of Health (NIH) National Graduate Student Research Conference, held at the NIH in Bethesda,

Md., in October. Brown, who is completing his dissertation research at the Maryland Psychiatric Research Center with **Paul Shepard, PhD**, associate professor in the Department of Psychiatry, was among 90 advanced graduate students from across the country selected from more than 500 applicants to attend the conference. Brown made the presentation “A Role for the Lateral Habenula in Encoding Negative Valence Via the RMTg.”

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FRANCE CARRIER

**France Carrier, PhD**, associate professor in the Department of Radiation Oncology, and **David Weber, PhD**, professor, Department of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, received a five-year, \$1,592,565 National Institutes of Health award for “Rational Targeting of Protein Translation for Cancer Treatment.”

**Claire Fraser, PhD**, professor in the Department of Medicine and director of the Institute for Genome Sciences, was a featured speaker during the TEDx Mid-Atlantic 2013 conference, held in October in Washington, D.C. Fraser spoke about genomics and medicine.



CLAIRE FRASER

**Robert Gallo, MD**, professor in the Department of Medicine and director of the Institute of Human Virology (IHV), received third-year funding of \$999,932 from the Henry M. Jackson Foundation for the Advancement of Military Medicine for “Safety and Immunogenicity of FLSC.” The work will include collaboration among the IHV, the Military HIV Research Program, and Profectus Biosciences, Inc.



DAVID WEBER

**Richard Goldberg, PhD**, associate professor in the Department of Psychiatry and director of the Veterans Affairs (VA) Capitol Healthcare Network Mental Illness Research, Education, and Clinical Center, received a four-year, \$1.01 million award from the VA Health Services



RICHARD GOLDBERG

Research and Development Service for “A Hybrid Effectiveness-Implementation Trail of a Wellness Self-Management Program.”



JOHN LAMATTINA

**John LaMattina, MD**, assistant professor in the Department of Surgery and director of the living donor liver transplant program at the University of

Maryland Medical Center, is on *Baltimore* magazine’s 2013 “40 Under 40” list, which profiles young leaders in science and other areas.

**Myron Levine, MD, DTPH**, Simon and Bessie Grollman Distinguished Professor of Medicine in the Department of Medicine and director of the Center for Vaccine Development, was awarded a two-year, \$997,960 grant from NASA for his research project “Incorporation of Novel Attenuating Mutations Identified in Microgravity Conditions Into the Construction of a Live Bacterial Vaccine Against Enteric Fever Caused by Salmonella Entericaserovar Paratyphi B.”

“Current Concepts in the Diagnosis and Classification of Renal Dysfunction in Cirrhosis,” written by **Ayse Mindikoglu, MD, MPH**, assistant professor in the Department of Medicine, and **Matthew Weir, MD**, professor in the Department of Medicine, was published in the *American Journal of Nephrology*.



ROBERT MITCHELL JR.

**Robert Mitchell Jr.** becomes associate director for administration at the University of Maryland Marlene and Stewart Greenebaum Cancer Center on

Dec. 16. Mitchell was previously an executive research administrator at the School of Medicine.

**Brian Polster, PhD**, assistant professor in the Department of Anesthesiology, received a five-year, \$1,678,905 award from the National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke for “Novel Mechanisms of Microglial Neurotoxicity at Physiological Oxygen.”



STEVEN PRIOR

**Steven Prior, PhD**, assistant professor in the Department of Medicine, received a four-year, \$1,035,992 Veterans Affairs award for “Exercise

Training, Circulating Angiogenic Cells (CACs), and Vascular Function in Older Veterans With Impaired Glucose Tolerance.”

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An Australian patent was issued for “Method and Equipment for Image-Guided Stereotactic Radiosurgery of Breast Cancer,” an invention by **William Regine, MD**, professor and the Isadore and Fannie Schneider Foxman Endowed Chair in the Department of Radiation Oncology, and **Cedric Yu, DSc**, clinical professor in the Department of Radiation Oncology. The invention pertains to an alternative, less invasive therapy for women diagnosed with early-stage breast cancer.



MICHAEL SHIPLEY

**Michael Shipley, PhD**, Donald E. Wilson, MD, MACP, Distinguished Professor and chair of the Department of Anatomy and Neurobiology,

and director of the neuroscience graduate program, received a five-year, \$1,630,940 grant from the National Institute on Deafness and Other Communication Disorders for “Olfactory Glomeruli: Cellular and Network Mechanisms.”



LISA SHULMAN



WILLIAM WEINER

The third edition of the book *Parkinson's Disease: A Complete Guide for Patients and Families*, co-written by **Lisa Shulman, MD**, professor in the Department of Neurology, was published. It is dedicated to co-author **William Weiner, MD**, former professor

and chair of the neurology department, who died in December 2012.

**J. Marc Simard, MD, PhD**, professor in the Department of Neurosurgery, was issued a U.S. patent for his invention “Inhibitors of NC<sub>CA</sub>-ATP Channel for Therapy,” which involves treatment and prevention of intraventricular hemorrhage or progressive hemorrhagic necrosis, particularly after spinal cord injury. The patent is part of a portfolio of technologies that is exclusively licensed by the University to a small pharmaceutical company.



SCOTT THOMPSON

**Scott Thompson, PhD**, professor and chair of the Department of Physiology, received a five-year, \$1,177,808 training grant renewal from the National Institute of General

Medical Sciences for the “Training Program in Integrative Membrane Biology.” The grant was awarded with six predoctoral training slots.

**Zhiyong Zhao, PhD**, assistant professor in the Department of Obstetrics, Gynecology, and Reproductive Sciences, received a five-year, \$1.5 million National Institutes of Health grant from the Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute of Child Health and Human Development for his research work “Protein Modifications and Unfolded Protein Response in Diabetic Embryopathy.”

## SCHOOL OF NURSING

**Janet D. Allan, PhD, RN, FAAN**, dean emeritus, received the Emeritus Membership Award during the American Association of Colleges of Nursing (AACN)’s fall meeting,

held in Washington, D.C. The award, presented to former association representatives who have retired from deanships, honors outstanding service on the association’s board of directors and in other organizational leadership roles. The award was presented by Allan’s successor as nursing dean, AACN President **Jane M. Kirschling, PhD, RN, FAAN**.



JANET D. ALLAN (RIGHT) AND JANE M. KIRSCHLING



JANICE HOFFMAN

**Janice Hoffman, PhD '06, MSN, RN**, assistant professor in the Department of Organizational Systems and Adult Health and assistant dean for the Bachelor

of Science in Nursing program, was installed as president of the Maryland Nurses Association during the organization’s annual convention in October.



BARBARA RESNICK

**Barbara Resnick, PhD, MSN, RN, CRNP, FAAN, FAANP**, professor in the Department of Organizational Systems and Adult Health, was elected to the board of directors

of the National Hartford Centers of Gerontological Nursing Excellence. The organization is coordinated by the Gerontological Society of America, located in Washington, D.C.



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NANCY STAGGERS

**Nancy Stagers, PhD '92, RN, FAAN**, professor in the Department of Organizational Systems and Adult Health, received the American Medical

Association's Virginia K. Saba Nursing Informatics Leadership Award during the organization's leadership dinner, held in November in Washington, D.C. The award recognizes innovative and cutting-edge work in the field of nursing informatics.

## SCHOOL OF PHARMACY



CATHERINE COOKE

**Catherine Cooke, PharmD**, research associate professor in the Department of Pharmacy Practice and Science and director of the Managed Care Pharmacy

Residency Program, was named chair of the Maryland State Advisory Council on Heart Disease and Stroke.



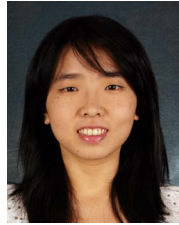
SANDEEP DEVABHAKTHUNI

**Sandeep Devabhakthuni, PharmD**, assistant professor in the Department of Pharmacy Practice and Science, was chosen to receive the Pharmacist of the Year Award

from the Maryland Society of Health-System Pharmacists.

**Jeffrey Gonzales, PharmD**, assistant professor in the Department of Pharmacy Practice and Science, was appointed chair-elect of the education subcommittee of the Society of Critical Care Medicine's Clinical Pharmacy and Pharmacology Section.

**Stephen Hoag, PhD**, professor in the Department of Pharmaceutical Sciences and director of the Good Manufacturing Practice facility, received \$220,378 from the National Institute for Pharmaceutical Technology and Education for "Risk Assessment of Abuse-Deterrent Technologies."



JANE HUANG

Student **Jane Huang** received the Communication Award during the annual Esri Health GIS Conference, held in Cambridge, Mass., in October.



MARY LYNN MCPHERSON

**Mary Lynn McPherson, PharmD, CPE**, professor and vice chair of academic affairs in the Department of Pharmacy Practice and Science, was awarded \$102,018

from the Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene for "Improvement in Knowledge, Skills, and Attitudes in Caring for Older Adults With Advanced Illness."

**C. Daniel Mullins, PhD**, professor and interim chair of the Department of Pharmaceutical Health Services Research, received a five-year, \$5 million grant from the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality for "Patient-Centered Involvement in Evaluating the Effectiveness of Treatments (Patients Program)," \$45,000 from the Bon Secours Baltimore Health System for "West Baltimore Primary Care Access Collaborative," and \$30,000 from the Center for Medical Technology Policy for "PGC Endocrine Metabolic Diabetes Consortium."



BRENT REED

**Brent Reed, PharmD**, assistant professor in the Department of Pharmacy Practice and Science, was named a fellow of the American Heart Association and the 2014

Distinguished New Practitioner by the American Pharmacists Association.



CHARMAINE ROCHESTER

**Charmaine Rochester, PharmD, CDE**, associate professor in the Department of Pharmacy Practice and Science, was commissioned as an officer

of the Department of Health and Human Services.

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## SCHOOL OF SOCIAL WORK



ELIZABETH APARICIO

“An Examination of the Psychometric Properties of the Vicarious Trauma Scale in a Sample of Licensed Social Workers,” the writers of which include student

**Elizabeth Aparicio, MSW**, and assistant professor **Jay Unick, PhD, MSW**, was published in the journal *Health & Social Work*.

Dean **Richard P. Barth, PhD, MSW**, made the following presentations in November: “Outcomes After Child Welfare Services: How Much Are We Helping?” — presented to the University of Wisconsin-Madison School of Social Work and the Wisconsin Department of Children and Families; “Progress on the Grand Challenges of the Social Work Initiative,” presented during the Council on Social Work Education’s annual program meeting, held in Dallas; and “Family Focused Collective Impact,” presented during the ninth annual Community Impact Management Conference in Baltimore.

**Caroline Long Burry, PhD, MSW**, associate professor and chair of the families and children specialization, was honored by the Maryland Office of the Public Defender during a celebration in October of the death-penalty repeal in Maryland. Burry was recognized for her consultation and expert testimony on behalf of defendants in capital cases.

In partnership with the Maryland Department of Human Resources and others, the School’s **Institute for Innovation and Implementation** was awarded two-year funding of about \$700,000 for Maryland’s Thrive@25 grant, which helps assure that youths are ready to live independently when they become adults. The principal investigator is **Elizabeth Greeno, PhD, MSW**, research assistant professor, and the project director is **Deborah Harburger, MSW, LGSW**, coordinator of community service activities at the institute.



AMANDA LEHNING

**Amanda Lehning, PhD, MSW**, assistant professor, was named a member of the technical advisory committee for the AARP Public Policy Institute’s livability index.



BRANDEN MCLEOD

“Bolstering CAPTA Funding: An Incremental Approach to Fully Funding the Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act,” co-written by **Branden McLeod, MSW**,

clinical instructor at the Social Work Community Outreach Service and director of ReServe Maryland, was published in the magazine *Social Policy*.



JENNIFER SWANBERG

**Jennifer Swanberg, PhD**, professor, received \$73,460 from the National Institute of Occupational Safety and Health, via a subcontract from the University

of Kentucky, for a third year of her research on the occupational health and safety of Latino farmworkers.

**Shamyla Tareen, MSW, LCSW-C**, academic coordinator in the Office of Field Education, won the Be the Change Award from CHAI, a mental health and wellness organization for the South Asian community. The honor was given to Tareen during CHAI’s annual awards presentation and benefit, held in November in Washington, D.C.

“Advancing Academic Achievement Through Career Relevance in the Middle Grades — A Longitudinal Evaluation of CareerStart,” co-written by **Michael Woolley, PhD, MSW**, associate professor, was published in the *American Education Research Journal*.

# STRATEGIC PLANS SUCCESS

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## GCA IS A QUIET POWER

*With the implementation phase of the University's 2011-2016 strategic plan moving along, we have some success stories to report. Look for more of them in upcoming months in The President's Message.*

The Office of Government and Community Affairs (GCA) is much like the Oscar nominee lauded as “best in a supporting role.” For the GCA staff and its student interns toil quietly behind the scenes, promoting members and causes of the University of Maryland, Baltimore (UMB) community.

Government and community affairs was identified as one of four “fundamental elements” in the 2011-2016 UMB strategic plan — areas that underpin, facilitate, and form the foundation of UMB’s operations. “Many people think our duties are confined to the General Assembly session each year,” says government relations specialist Rachel Tabakman, MA, “but our government affairs role goes far beyond that, let alone what Brian Sturdivant and his community outreach team do.”

Indeed, GCA is a major player in Annapolis. During the 2013 session, GCA tracked more than 780 bills that could impact UMB or its partners, and it guided testimony at more than 80 hearings during the 90-day session. But GCA’s growing responsibilities outside the state capital led to the recurring \$125,250 strategic plan funding in Fiscal Year 2013 that, among other things, created Tabakman’s position.

“Rachel’s addition will allow us to develop new pipelines of opportunities,” says Kevin Kelly, JD, director of government affairs. “Furthermore, she is focusing on developing advocacy strategies on federal policy issues that support our mission, such as student financial aid and research funding. Her presence will allow us to be more proactive with our major association partners in Washington, D.C.”

Another part of GCA’s strategic plan goal to “identify, build, and strengthen the University’s relationships with elected and appointed officials at the federal level” was having a federal consultant meet with UMB deans one-on-one to discuss a desired federal agenda.

That same goal led GCA to assist in organizing two joint events featuring students and pharmacists from the

School of Pharmacy’s Maryland P<sup>3</sup> (Patients, Pharmacists, Partnerships) Program and Congressman John Sarbanes. The medication therapy management events, held in May at the Pascal Senior Center in Glen Burnie and the Praisner Community Center in Burtonsville, offered free blood pressure screenings, medication consultations, and comprehensive medication reviews.

“I am very pleased to sponsor events like this with the University of Maryland School of Pharmacy,” said Sarbanes. “I often hear from seniors who struggle to keep track of their medications. Pharmacists can provide a critical service and drastically improve health outcomes.”

GCA also is making progress in pursuing its strategic plan goal to “raise visibility of University profile by providing expertise to federal, state, and local officials and key collaborators.” It assisted in obtaining

faculty appointments to serve on several state agency and legislative work groups; worked with the School of Pharmacy to provide recommendations to federal elected officials on the Pharmaceutical Compounding Quality and Accountability Act; and arranged visits to UMB by state legislators and the City Council and visits by faculty to Capitol Hill.

For instance, when Governor Martin O’Malley appointed 17 members to the Alzheimer’s Disease and Related Disorders Council, he included three from UMB: Banghwa Casado, PhD, MSW, School of Social Work; Karen Kauffman, PhD, CRNP-BC, FAAN, School of Nursing; and David Loreck, MD, School of Medicine.

“I think people would be surprised at the range of issues that GCA touches,” says Kelly. “It is never the same, which makes it exciting.”

Barbara Klein, MPA, chief government and community affairs officer and associate vice president, is retiring this month after serving UMB for 17 years. She is confident she is leaving GCA in good hands.

“I am very pleased that the strategic plan has afforded the University the ability to promote the incredible expertise of our faculty with the Maryland delegation members and key federal agencies,” she says. “Kevin Kelly and Rachel Tabakman are building a strong foundation that will create robust relationships and new opportunities for UMB.”

